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Alfea College is a school for fairies.
Bloom and all her friends live and
learn there.



Bloom's best friend is Stella.
She is loyal and stylish.



One day, Stella got a letter in the mail. It was an invitation to a royal ball!

"This will be the swankiest party of the year!" Stella said to Bloom. "Do you want to come with me?"



"Really?" Bloom replied. "I'd love to!
But I have nothing to wear!"

"Lucky for you, I'm a fashion expert," Stella said. "I'll help you find the perfect outfit."



Stella and Bloom tried
on clothes all day. *Whoosh!*
Dress after dress appeared
with a wave of Stella's hand!



When it was time for the party, Bloom and Stella both looked amazing. "Thank you for helping me, Stella!" Bloom said.





The party was at a gigantic palace. A guard was asking for everyone's name.

"Stella, come on in," the guard said. "But your friend is not on the list. She'll have to stay outside."



"What a shame," Stella said, and winked at Bloom. Then Stella summoned the power of the sun to create a big shining ball in the air.

"Oh, my—what in Magix is *that*?" she exclaimed in mock surprise.

The guard and everyone in line
looked up at the floating ball of
sunlight. Stella grabbed Bloom's
hand, and they slipped past the
guard and into the palace.





Bloom and Stella stepped into the ballroom. It was full of people dancing, talking, and laughing.

"Ugh. Look who's here, Bloom!" Stella groaned, pointing. "Diaspro and her posse."

Just then, Diaspro spotted Stella and Bloom and ran over to them, with her two close friends trailing behind.

"I don't really want to see her," Bloom whispered to Stella.

"Leave it to me," Stella whispered back. "Hi, Diaspro!" she said, smiling.

"Hello, girls," Diaspro said, eyebrows raised. "Nice outfit."



"Thanks," Bloom said.

"I was talking to Stella, not you," Diaspro said. She laughed. Her friends laughed, too. "How's everything going at Alfea?"



"Swimmingly!" Stella said.

"You must be very powerful fairies by now," Diaspro said sarcastically.

This time, Bloom laughed. "Stella would be a more powerful fairy if she studied harder," she said.





Stella couldn't believe her best friend would say that. "Why are you embarrassing me?" she whispered to Bloom. "I'm the one who got you into this party!"

"I told you I didn't want to talk to Diaspro!" Bloom replied. "You didn't listen to me."

As Diaspro listened in on their argument, a smile crept over her face. "Why *did* you bring Bloom to this party, anyway?" she asked Stella. "She clearly wasn't invited."

Bloom's eyes filled with tears. She turned and walked away, leaving Stella alone with Diaspro and her friends. Stella sighed.





Bloom found a bench and sat down. She wished she'd never said anything to Diaspro. It wasn't Stella's fault, she thought. In fact, Stella had done a lot for her today.

Stella turned to Diaspro. "Why do you have to be so mean?" she asked.

"I'm not mean," Diaspro said. "I'm just honest. You'd be better off without that loser fairy."



"Bloom?" Stella asked.
She might have gotten a
little angry at Bloom, but
she didn't think her friend
was a loser.





"You shouldn't waste your time hanging out with uncool fairies," Diaspro said, and laughed. Her friends laughed, too.

Stella thought about it. "You're right," she said, and walked away to find her best friend.



"Bloom!" Stella called out. She ran to the bench where Bloom sat. "I'm sorry I made you talk to Diaspro."

"I'm the one who's sorry," Bloom said. The fairies smiled at each other.

"There they are!" they heard a voice call out. Bloom and Stella turned and saw the guard, Diaspro, and Diaspro's friends marching toward them. The guard looked angry.

"Time to go!" Stella said.



Stella and Bloom fled from the palace, giggling. They didn't need Diaspro, a fancy party, or anything else when they had each other.

Bloom and Stella were BFFs—best fairy friends!

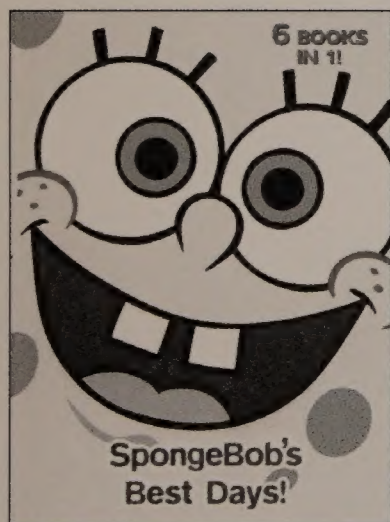


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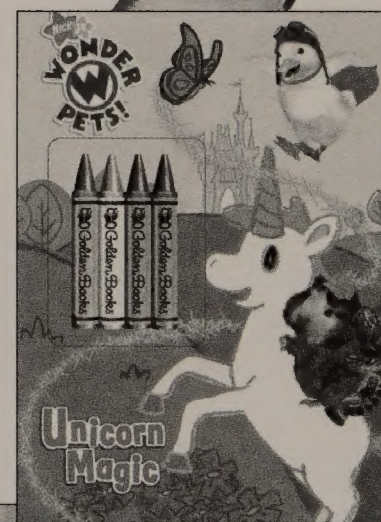
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